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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2005 (Office Action), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.

A petition for a three month extension of time is attached. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 500282.